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Mega Load Traveling Through the State...

Huge Turbine Rotor Movement Scheduled This Week

WHAT: A 383,000 pound turbine rotor will leave Rome, Ga. at 8 p.m., Tuesday, September 22

to begin a tactical route to the Ocean Terminal in Savannah, Ga. by the night hours of **Wednesday**, **September 23**. The 205-foot long, 14-foot-8-inch wide and 15-foot-6-inch tall rig configuration belongs to Guy M. Turner. The trailer/rig configuration will encompass a single lane.

Northwest, Metro-Atlanta, East Central and Southeast region traffic will be slow or even stopped at some points due to the excessive size of the transport rig. Two Georgia State Patrol officers with blue lights and marked cars will be accompanying the load to pace traffic, when so warranted by the traffic control. The mega load will also feature moving message boards warning of traffic interruptions at key bridges and/or intersections. Normal travel speed is 45 mph but slows to 5 mph when crossing certain bridge structures. Narrow bridge locations will require escorts to restrict the passing of other vehicles, while the permit vehicle is crossing.

ROUTE:

The mega load will leave the Rome plant and travel toward Cobb County via Interstate 75. It will eventually use I-285 on its way to I-20 eastbound heading to Newton County. The carrier will travel on I-20 east toward the Columbia County Scales by the early morning hours of Wednesday, where it will rest. Then the major rig will depart this location at 8 p.m. to head through Richmond County via I-520 before entering Jenkins, Screven and finally Chatham County late Wednesday evening. The mega load will travel this route due to the size and weight of the machine press.

WHEN:

The carrier will leave Rome at 8 p.m. Tuesday, September 22 and travel until it reaches the Columbia County Scales off I-20 eastbound around 3:20 a.m. The

load will then depart that location at 8 p.m. on route to the Ocean Terminal in Savannah by midnight Wednesday, September 23.

CAUTION: Motorists should exercise extreme caution in its vicinity and follow instructions from

law enforcement escorts.

DriveAlert ArriveAlive calls attention to an alarming increase in roadway fatalities across Georgia, many resulting from preventable crashes and distracted driving. **DriveAlert ArriveAlive** implores motorists to buckle up; stay off the phone and no texting; and drive alert. Visit www.dot.ga.gov/DS/SafetyOperation/DAAA. #ArriveAliveGA

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E. ROUTE SUMMARY:

	RESTRICTED	APPROX.
ACTIVITY	BRIDGES (M.P.)	TIME
Leave Plant		8:00 pm
Turn Left onto SR 1 Loop NB (Redmond Circle)		8:05 pm
Turn Right onto SR 1 Loop EB		8:15 pm
Turn Left onto SR 53 NB, Floyd Co.		8:35 pm
Turn Right onto SR 140 EB, Floyd Co.		8:55 pm
Turn Right onto I-75 SB, Bartow Co.		9:15 pm
Crossing at CR 452 Adairsvl-Pleasant, Bartow Co.	304.22	9:20 pm
Crossing at CR 179 Cedar Creek Road, Bartow Co.	299.66	9:25 pm
Crossing at CSX Railroad, Bartow Co.	293.99	9:40 pm
Crossing at SR 61 (US 411)	293.88	9:45 pm
Crossing at CR 360 Old River Rd., Bartow Co.	287.16	9:50 pm
Crossing at CR645-CR397-Allatoona LK, Bartow Co.	280.70	10:05 pm
Detour at I-75 Exit #273, Cobb Co.		10:20 pm
Turn Left onto Wade Green Rd EB, Cobb Co.		10:25 pm
Crossing at I-75, Cobb Co.	2.65	10:30 pm
Turn Right onto George Busbee Pkwy SB, Cobb Co.		10:35 pm
Turn Right onto Frey Road WB, Cobb Co.		10:40 pm
Turn Left onto Chastain Road EB, Cobb Co.		10:45 pm
Turn Right onto I-75 SB Ramp, Cobb Co.		10:50 pm
Crossing at CR 992 Dickson Road, Cobb Co.	267.51	11:00 pm
Crossing at Chattahoochee River, Fulton Co.	257.28	11:20 pm
Crossing at SR 3 Northside Pkwy, Fulton Co.	256.33	11:25 pm
Crossing at Peachtree Creek, Fulton Co.	253.55	11:35 pm
Crossing at CSX Railroad, Fulton Co.	251.40	11:45 pm
Continue through Atlanta on I-75 SB, Fulton Co.		11:55 pm
Take Right Hand Ramp onto I-285 EB, Fulton Co.		12:10 am
Crossing at CR 142 Henrico Road, Dekalb Co.	52.42	12:20 am
Crossing at South River, Dekalb Co.	51.27	12:30 am
Take Right Hand Ramp onto I-20 EB, Dekalb Co.		12:40 am
Detour at I-20 Exit #90, Newton Co.		1:00 am
Take Loop Ramp onto SR 12 EB, Newton Co.		1:05 am
Turn Left onto SR 142 NB, Newton Co.		1:15 am
Turn Right onto I-20 EB Ramp, Newton Co.		1:20 am
Crossing at Alcovy River Trib., Newton Co.	94.50	1:25 am
Crossing at Alcovy River, Newton Co.	94.63	1:30 am
Crossing at Big Indian Creek, Morgan Co.	109.60	1:40 am
Crossing at Nor-Sou Railroad, Morgan Co.	113.37	1:50 am
Crossing at CR 214-North Sugar Creek, Morgan Co.	119.19	2:00 am
Crossing at Oconee River Overflow, Morgan Co.	126.34	2:15 am
Stop overnight at I-20 EB Scales, Columbia Co.	189.00	3:20 am
Continue I-20 EB from Rest Area		8:00 pm
Turn Right onto I-520 SB Ramp, Richmond Co.		8:20 pm
Detour at Wrightsboro Rd. Exit #2 Ramp, Richmond Co.		8:25 pm
Continue I-520 WB, Richmond Co.		8:30 pm
Detour at I-520 Exit #7, Richmond Co.		8:35 pm
Turn Right onto SR 121 SB, Richmond Co.		8:40 pm
Turn Left onto SR 21/Millen Hwy. EB, Jenkins Co.		9:45 pm
Turn Right onto US 301 SB, Screven Co.		10:05 pm
Turn Left onto SR 21/Perimeter Rd. EB, Screven Co.		10:15 pm
Crossing at Black Creek, Chatham Co.	16.47	11:10 pm
Turn Right at Exit #8 US 80, Chatham Co.		11:35 pm
Turn Left onto US 80 EB, Chatham Co.		11:40 pm
Enter Ocean Terminal in Savannah		11:45 pm
Reach Destination		11:50 pm